SUPREME COURT MINUTES MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1998 SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

The Supreme Court of California convened in its courtroom in the Library and Courts Building, Sacramento, California on Monday, November 9, 1998, at 1:30 p.m.

Present: Chief Justice Ronald M. George, presiding, and Associate Justices Mosk, Kennard, Baxter, Werdegar, Chin, and Brown.

Officers present: Robert F. Wandruff, Clerk; Harry Kinney, and Walter Grabowski, Bailiffs.

S073756 In re the Governor's Letter Requesting the Supreme Court of California to Assume Control Over Attorney Discipline System; In re the State Bar of California Request for Special Regulatory Assessment

Pursuant to the Court's order of November 4, 1998, the following persons were authorized to present argument to the Court in this matter and appeared as follows:

Dan Kolkey on behalf of Governor Pete Wilson

Raymond C. Marshall on behalf of State Bar of California

Lawrence Yee on behalf of State Bar of California

Senator Quentin Kopp and Professor Stephen Barnett, Boalt Hall School of Law

Jerome Falk, Esq., on behalf of numerous local and specialty bar associations

James V. de la Vergne, Esq., Chair of the Attorney-Client Relations Committee of the Sacramento County Bar Association

Anthony Caso, Esq., Pacific Legal Foundation, on behalf of Raymond Brosterhous

Presiding Judge James W. O'Brien, State Bar Court

Lise J. Pearlman, former Presiding Judge of the State Bar Court

Michael J. Oths, Esq., President, National Organization of Bar Counsel

Mark Tuft, Esq., co-author of the California Practice Guide on Professional Responsibility; past chairs of the State Bar Committee on Professional Responsibility and Competence

J. Anthony Vittal, Esq., president of the California Association of Local Bars

John Philipsborn, Esq., Chair, California Attorneys for Criminal Justice, Amicus Curiae Committee

Professor John Cary Sims, McGeorge School of Law

Closing comments

Dan Kolkey on behalf of Governor Pete Wilson

Raymond C. Marshall on behalf of State Bar of California
Submitted

Court recessed until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 10, 1998.

S054783 June McKeon, Plantiff and Appellant

v.

Mercy Healthcare Sacramento, Defendant and Respondent The judgment of the Court of Appeal is reversed.

Werdegar, J.

We Concur:

George, C.J.

Mosk, J.

Kennard, J.

Baxter, J.

Chin, J.

Brown, J.

S067462 Mercury Insurance Group, Petitioner

v.

The Superior Court of San Bernardino County, Respondent Ronald A. Wooster et al., Real Parties in Interest

[W]e conclude that we must reverse the judgment of the Court of Appeal and remand the cause to that court with directions to affirm the order of the superior court denying Mercury's motion for separate judicial arbitration and contractual arbitration.

It is so ordered.

Mosk, J.

We Concur:

George, C.J.

Kennard, J.

Baxter, J.

Werdegar, J.

Chin, J.

Brown, J.

1st Dist. Patricia A. McColm, Appellant

A076016

V.

Div. 1 Carter Hawley Hale, Inc. et al., Respondents

S074577 Request for file petition under seal and application for stay and

petition for review DENIED.

S065575 In re Steve Allen Champion

on

Habeas Corpus

On application of respondent and good cause appearing, it is ordered that the time to serve and file respondent's informal response to the petition for writ of habeas corpus is extended to and including November 9, 1998.